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James Kallstrom to Keynote Northeast Infrastructure Security Conference

**- February 26-27 Forum To Feature Officials From FBI, DOE, U.S. Army, New York and
New England Regulatory and Emergency Management Offices and Industry -**

Holyoke, MA / Guilderland, NY – February 7, 2002 – ISO New England Inc. (ISO-NE) and the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO), which oversee the electric power and wholesale market systems in New England and New York, respectively, announced today that New York State Director of Public Safety, James Kallstrom will head-up an outstanding lineup of security experts at the first *Northeast Electric Infrastructure Security and Reliability Forum* on February 26-27 in Lenox, Massachusetts.

The conference, which will address infrastructure security issues highlighted since September 11, 2001, will feature a threat response plan workshop and evening reception at the Norman Rockwell Museum on February 26, and a full day of expert panels on February 27.

Sessions will cover various aspects of infrastructure security including: the federal role, industry coordination, lessons learned from September 11, and the state government role. Mr. Kallstrom, who prior to his current position served as the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's New York Bureau, will deliver the Keynote address at lunch on the 27th.

Conference brochures may be obtained by visiting either the ISO-NE or NYISO websites at <http://www.iso-ne.com/> or <http://www.nyiso.com/>, respectively. Conference registration must be completed on-line with full-payment due by the day of the conference. Credentialed media are welcome to attend free-of-charge, though registration is requested.

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ISO New England Inc. is the not-for-profit corporation responsible for the day-to-day reliable operation of New England's bulk generation and transmission systems with an installed capacity of more than 28,000 megawatts. In addition to operating the bulk power grid, ISO New England is the administrator of the region's wholesale electricity marketplace and the Open Access Transmission Tariff on behalf of the New England Power Pool.

The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) is a not-for-profit corporation established in 1999 to facilitate the restructuring of New York State's electric industry. In addition to administering the State's wholesale energy markets, the NYISO operates the State's high voltage electric transmission system. Last year, the NYISO's market volume (including energy, ancillary services, ICAP and TCC auctions) exceeded \$5.2 billion.